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# Missing Persons Clearinghouse 2017 Annual Report



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## 2017Annual Report

The New York State Missing Persons Clearinghouse is located within the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS).

The Clearinghouse operates in accordance with New York State Executive Law Sections 837, 837-e, 837-f, 837-f-1 and 838; New York State Codes, Rules and Regulations Part 6055; and New York State Education Law Sections 355, 6206, 6303 and 6450.

This report is submitted as required by Section 837-f-12 of the New York State Executive Law.

#### On the Cover

Designed by Saranika Chakraborty of Elmhurst in Queens County, this poster was chosen from a record 307 entries to represent New York in the National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest, a competition for fifth-graders sponsored annually by the U.S. Department of Justice. In addition to submitting a poster, students were required to explain why they created their poster. Saranika wrote: "Children should be safe at home and not have to worry about danger. I hope no one has to ever be or feel like the boy (in my poster)."

Second Place was awarded to Jason Rowe of Elba in Genesee County, and third place to Hannah Hollenbeck of Odessa in Schuyler County.

New York and other states annually coordinate their own contests, the winners of which compete against each other in the national competition, which is designed to raise awareness about missing children cases across the country. The Missing Person Clearinghouse coordinates New York's competition. National Missing Children's Day has been marked annually on May 25 since 1983.

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## Overview of 2017 Activities

## **Identification of Unidentified Patients Model Policy**

The New York State Missing Persons Clearinghouse partnered with the state Department of Health to provide hospital administrators with an Identification of Unidentified Patients Model Policy distributed to hospitals throughout New York in January 2017.

Clearinghouse staff developed the policy after recognizing that hospitals lacked a standardized protocol for admitting and assigning a temporary name to unidentified patients. This resulted in hospitals sometimes admitting missing adults with Alzheimer's disease or other cognitive impairments without notifying police agencies or checking to see if the unidentified patient was the subject of an alert. As a result, these patients were sometimes not located as quickly, thus causing further trauma to the individual's family.

Clearinghouse staff and Health Department officials convened a panel of experts to develop the model policy. Representatives from Albany Medical Center, Albany Memorial Hospital, Greater New York Hospital Association, the state Division of Criminal Justice Services, the state Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services, the state Office of Mental Health and the Samuel Stratton VA Medical Center came together to develop the policy.

The goal of the policy is to provide hospital administrators throughout the state with a consistent protocol when admitting an unidentified patient into a hospital. Also, to have hospitals employ a standardized process for responding to requests for information from police and family members seeking individuals who are missing.

Key components of the model include:

- A standardized procedure for hospital record keeping and temporarily naming an unidentified patient.
- Guidance on the steps to take to identify the patient.
- The federal and state laws that allow hospitals to disclose information to law enforcement when dealing with a missing/unidentified person case.
- Definitions of key terms used in the policy that are helpful when implementing the protocol.
- Administrative action to be taken after a patient is identified.

The model policy includes a standardized basic protocol that medical facilities can easily implement to identify unknown patients and lessen the trauma and anxiety families often experience when searching for a missing loved one. The policy can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **New Missing and Unidentified Person Case Management System**

Working in partnership with the state Office of Information Technology Services, the Clearinghouse enhanced its case management database by implementing the first phase of a

new centralized automated missing and unidentified persons tracking system. The system will work in an online portal that is integrated with other missing and unidentified person database systems to streamline work flow, improve data quality and provide for more stable and accurate record keeping. The system will also provide case managers an improved way to disseminate information about missing individuals and maintain contact with their family members.

The second phase –expected to be completed in summer 2018 –will include a tip/lead management system and an enhanced flagging process for birth and school records of missing children. The new management system will allow the Clearinghouse to better document and coordinate tip and lead information with the investigating law enforcement agency.

The Clearinghouse is statutorily required to flag birth and school records of all missing children who were born in New York State or attended school in New York state at the time the child went missing. Records are flagged within 30 days of the missing child case being entered into the statewide registry, or immediately for those cases involving abductions. If a person attempts to obtain the missing child's birth certificate or school record, vital records or school personnel immediately notify the Clearinghouse and provide the persons contact information. That information is then passed on to the investigating agency. The person requesting to obtain the records is never aware that the record has been flagged.

## **Project Lifesaver Training**

The Missing Persons Clearinghouse partnered with the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office and the New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services in Oriskany to provide several Project Lifesaver refresher courses. More than 55 law enforcement officers from 28 partner agencies participated in the training.

Project Lifesaver is a radio frequency tracking program that allows individuals to wear a wrist or ankle bracelet containing a transmitter that emits a unique tracking signal. If an enrolled individual goes missing, the caregiver notifies a participating law enforcement agency, which then dispatches a trained emergency team to the area. Most individuals who wander are found within a few miles from home and the tracking devices can reduce search time from hours or days to minutes.

In 2015, New York State partnered with Project Lifesaver International, providing life-saving equipment and training for law enforcement agencies to assist in missing child searches. The state provided agencies with nearly 600 Project Lifesaver tracking devices at no cost to be distributed to children under 18 with autism, Down syndrome or another type of cognitive impairment that puts them at risk for wandering or becoming lost. The transmitters, which are worn on the wrist or ankle, emit a tracking signal that allows a child to be located quickly after going missing.

The state purchased the technology using approximately \$253,000 from its Missing and Exploited Children Special Revenue fund, which must be used exclusively to enhance services provided by the Clearinghouse in connection with cases involving missing children younger than 18. Parents and guardians can contact the law enforcement agency in their county to see if their children are eligible for a free transmitter.

The tracking technology is available from sheriffs' offices in the following counties: Albany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chenango, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Erie, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Genesee, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Madison, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orange, Oswego, Otsego, Putnam, Rensselaer, Rockland, Saratoga, Seneca, Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Suffolk, Sullivan, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Westchester and Yates. The Nassau County Police Department also offers the technology.

Go to <a href="https://www.projectlifesaver.org">www.projectlifesaver.org</a> for more information on the program.

## **Other Activities**

The Clearinghouse assisted the U.S. Department of State in 2017 with 12 missing children cases involving international custody disputes pursuant to the Hague Convention of the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. Staff conducted database searches and assisted with verifying five New York State addresses for investigations related to those cases.

## **Alert Activations**

The Clearinghouse activated 127 alerts at the request of law enforcement agencies from across New York State in 2017: 10 involved missing children, 1 college student and 116 involved missing vulnerable adults.

Alerts are not activated in connection with every report of a missing child or vulnerable adult. Certain circumstances must be met in order for the Clearinghouse to issue an alert. See page 9 for more details.

All missing children who were the subject of alerts were found alive and returned home.

Of the 116 missing vulnerable adult alerts, 114 returned home safely, one was located deceased, and one remains missing.

## **Data Overview**

## Missing Children

- The number of children reported missing in New York State decreased 7.1 percent in 2017, for a total of 17,114. The decrease was the result of fewer cases reported by law enforcement in both New York City (-10.4 percent) and in the rest of the state (-5.2 percent).
- The number of children reported by police as runaways 16,547 accounted for 96.7 percent of disappearances among children under 18 years old.
- There were no stranger abductions reported in 2017, the same as in 2016.
- The number of acquaintance abductions decreased, from one in 2016 to none in 2017.
- There were 77 familial abduction cases and 28 children reported as abducted by a noncustodial parent.
- A higher number of cases (17,500) were closed during 2017, which resulted in fewer active cases at the end of the year, when compared to active cases in 2016 (2,401 in 2016 vs 2,017 in 2017).
- Every county in New York State, except for Hamilton and Lewis, reported at least one missing child.
- 28 counties and New York City, which comprises five counties but reports missing children data city-wide, reported decreases in the number of new cases, while 30 other counties reported the same volume or higher.
- Reports of missing children were concentrated in the state's largest urban areas. Excluding New York City, Monroe County reported the highest volume of cases, 1,717, followed by Westchester with 1,493; Suffolk, 912; Albany, 852; and Schenectady, 801.
- The statewide missing child rate was 4.1 missing children cases per 1,000 children in 2017.
   Schenectady and Chemung counties had the highest rates of cases reported in the state:
   23.8 per 1,000 children and 19.0 per 1,000 children, respectively. Those counties also reported large numbers of repeat cases involving children who ran away from group homes or other facilities.
- Ninety-four percent of children reported missing were 13 years old or older, 58.0 percent were female, and 54.5 percent were non-white. The largest single group of missing child cases involved black females who were 13 and older (29.2 percent of cases reported).
- Approximately 37 percent of cases closed during 2017 were resolved by the child voluntarily returning home. Law enforcement efforts were involved in the return of 16.6 percent of cases, and a total of eight children who had been reported missing in Cayuga, Chemung, Nassau, Onondaga, Suffolk, and Westchester counties were found deceased.

 The median number of days between the reporting and cancellation of a case on the Register was six days, down from seven days in 2016.

## **Missing Vulnerable Adults**

- A total of 1,613 vulnerable adults were reported missing in New York State in 2017, about a 21.3 percent increase from 2016 (1,329). The increase over last year appears largely due to an agreement between the New York City Sheriff's Office and the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to locate missing persons under Kendra's Law. This law provides for court-ordered assisted outpatient treatment for certain people with mental illness who, in view of their treatment history and present circumstances, are unlikely to survive safely in the community without supervision.
- The number of missing vulnerable adults was 21.7 percent of the total number of adults (7,422) reported missing.
- The largest volume of missing vulnerable adult cases (177) was reported in October and the fewest (87) in February.
- The vast majority of missing vulnerable adults (61.7 percent) were reported outside of New York City. A total of 996 cases were reported in the 57 counties Upstate and on Long Island as compared to 615 in New York City. Two vulnerable adults were reported missing out of state.
- Excluding New York City, Nassau County had the highest number of missing vulnerable adult cases reported, with 184, followed by Westchester County with 136; Monroe County, 77; Onondaga County, 65; and Dutchess County, 42.
- More vulnerable adults between the ages of 20 and 29 were reported missing 295 of 1,613, or 18.3 percent – than any other age category.
- Nearly twice as many men than women were reported missing, and 58.3 percent of missing vulnerable adults were white.
- A total of 1,574 cases involving missing vulnerable adults were closed during 2017 and 187 cases remained active at the end of the year.
- The median number of days between a missing vulnerable adult case report and closure was three days.

## **Clearinghouse Services**

The Clearinghouse maintains a statewide electronic central registry of missing persons that is compatible with the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) registry for missing persons. Clearinghouse staff also provide investigative support and training to law enforcement and assistance to left-behind family members.

As noted earlier, the Clearinghouse administers three Alert programs that quickly disseminate information to law enforcement, the public and other entities when children under the age of 18, college students or vulnerable adults with cognitive impairments are reported missing and are at a credible risk of harm.

The Clearinghouse can be reached 24 hours a day, 365 days a year through a toll-free hotline (1-800-346-3543) or a dedicated e-mail address (<a href="mailto:missingpersons@dcjs.ny.gov">missingpersons@dcjs.ny.gov</a>). In addition to their work to support law enforcement agencies in New York State, Clearinghouse staff members assist law enforcement agencies in other states, other states' clearinghouses, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC), not-for-profit organizations and the U.S. Department of State.

## **Investigative Support**

- Case information in the missing person database is submitted by law enforcement agencies to the Clearinghouse via a secure, online portal.
  - As required by law, Clearinghouse staff use this data to flag birth and educational records of missing children, which results in school and vital records administrators being notified of the report of a missing child from their school. If someone requests a flagged school or birth record, that information is transmitted to the Clearinghouse and can possibly provide a lead to the missing child's location.
- The Clearinghouse notifies the appropriate law enforcement agency whenever it receives leads in connection with a missing person's case. Staff also develops leads by conducting searches through informational databases and social networking sites.
- The Clearinghouse also assists with entering missing and unidentified person
  information into state and federal databases used by law enforcement agencies for
  investigative purposes. This includes assisting law enforcement agencies and medical
  examiners with coding and entering dental and other anatomical information of an
  individual reported missing.
- Clearinghouse staff prepares and distributes missing child, missing college student and
  missing vulnerable adult posters to the public and private sector through the state's NYALERT system and Lost Child Alert Technology Resource (LOCATER).
  - These tools are utilized by the Clearinghouse to allow for rapid electronic dissemination of photographs, biographical information and case details.
     Information can be sent electronically to every law enforcement agency, New Yok State Thruway service areas/toll booths, and bus, train and airport terminals.

In addition, a public subscription service is used to notify individuals across the state about these cases in a matter of minutes.

- The Clearinghouse publishes missing child, college student and vulnerable adult photographs and biographical information on the DCJS and National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) websites, provided a family member or guardian grants permission. NCMEC only publicizes child cases.
- Clearinghouse staff provides case management advice to investigating law enforcement
  agencies, including assessment of case details and assistance with obtaining urgent
  services as necessary, such as help from other state clearinghouses or NCMEC's Team
  Adam program. Team Adam is a program administered by the NCMEC that provides
  rapid, on-site assistance to law enforcement agencies and families in serious cases of
  missing children. Team Adam consultants are retired law enforcement professionals with
  years of investigative experience at the federal, state and local levels.
- The Clearinghouse collaborates with NCMEC and other state clearinghouses. The
  established network of clearinghouses and related organizations can directly provide
  nationwide and, if necessary, international assistance to law enforcement agencies and
  family members.
- The Clearinghouse assists the U.S. Department of State to locate and return internationally abducted children to their country of origin in accordance with the *Hague Treaty on the Civil Aspects of International Abduction*.
- Clearinghouse staff develops and distributes investigative guides and presentation
  material, including the DCJS Guidelines for Missing and Unidentified Person
  Investigations; Missing Person Data Collection Guide; Unidentified Person Data
  Collection Guide; and NCMEC Missing and Abducted Children: A Law Enforcement
  Guide to Case Investigation and Program Management. Publications and training
  videos are available to law enforcement officers via a secure, online portal; and creation
  and delivery of training programs for law enforcement officers.

#### Training

Presentations/Training Programs	Number of Presentations	Number of Attendees
Investigative (Law Enforcement) Training	11	339
Persons Completing Training Online	1	23
Presentations/Other Events -Not training	3	375
TOTAL	15	752

## **Alert Programs**

Alerts are designed to ensure the most rapid and widespread dissemination of information as possible about missing children under the age of 18, missing college students of any age and missing vulnerable adults with Alzheimer's disease, dementia or other cognitive impairment.

Certain criteria must be met in order for alerts to be issued at the request of law enforcement. New York State utilizes the following four alert programs; with the exception of AMBER Alerts, the Clearinghouse administers these programs:



**AMBER Alerts** are activated for abducted children younger than 18 who are believed to be at risk for serious bodily harm or death and are administered by the New York State Police. For more information: www.amber.ny.gov



**Missing Child Alerts** are activated when a child younger than 21 is missing and believed to be in danger due to special circumstances, such as a cognitive impairment or medical condition, that place them at serious risk of harm or death.



**Missing College Student Alerts** are activated when a college student of any age is missing and is deemed to be at credible risk of harm or death.



**Missing Vulnerable Adult Alerts** are activated when an individual who is 18 or older; has a cognitive disorder, brain injury or mental disability; is reported missing; and is at credible risk of harm. This includes individuals with autism, dementia or Alzheimer's disease.

Within Minutes of an alert activation, information about the person is distributed to police agencies, the media, Thruway highway signs, plazas and toll barriers, state Department of Transportation highway signs, airports, bus terminals, train stations, hospitals and other locations. Details are displayed on highway signs for up to eight hours. Information is shared via Facebook (www.facebook.com/nyspublicsafety), Twitter (@NYSPublicSafety) and online (http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/). NYAlert subscribers are notified immediately. Visit www.nyalert.gov or call (888) 697-6972 to subscribe. Alerts can remain active for up to 72 hours. If the individual remains missing after that three-day period, case details are posted to www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/missing.

## **Alert and Non-Alert Distribution Mechanisms**

Method of Distribution	AMBER Alert	Missing Child, College Student, Vulnerable Adult Alert	Missing Child, College Student, Vulnerable Adult Non-Alert
NYS AMBER Alert Website	Х		
NYS Lottery Terminal Message Boards in stores (18,500)	Х		
Variable Message Signs: Thruway (131), Other Highways (580)	Х	Х	
License Plate Readers	Х	X	
NY-ALERT Public Subscriber List (92,182)	Х	X	
NYS Thruway Toll Barrier Printers (58)	Х	Х	
NYS Thruway Service Area Televisions (27)	Х	X	
Media Outlets - Radio/Television (659)	Х	X	
NYC Taxi and Limousine Commission vehicles (23,506): For activations in the New York City Metropolitan Area only.	х	х	
NYS AMBER Alert Partner Agencies	Х	Х	
NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Website	Х	X	X
National Center for Missing & Exploited Children Website (Children Only)	Х	Х	Х
Greyhound/Trailways/Other Bus Terminals (108)	Х	Х	X
AMTRAK Stations (13)	Х	X	X
Airports/Transportation Safety Administration (40)	Х	X	X
NYS/County Probation Agencies (59)	Х	X	Х
Hospitals/Clinics (827)	Х	X	X
Police Agencies: Local, State and Federal (1,328)	Х	X	X
Canadian Law Enforcement Authorities	Х	X	X
NYS/NYC Department of Health/School Records Flagged (Children Only)	Х	Х	Х

## New York State Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse Fund

In addition to housing the Clearinghouse, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services administers the New York State Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse Fund.

The fund supports Clearinghouse activities that provide direct assistance to parents, law enforcement officials and others in connection with cases involving missing and abducted children. Contributions also support statewide dissemination of information and educational materials and advanced training for law enforcement officers in the area of missing, abducted and exploited children.

New Yorkers may opt to donate to the Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse Fund when filing their state income tax returns or by sending donations directly to the Missing Persons Clearinghouse. All donations are tax deductible.

Visit the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance website at <a href="www.tax.ny.gov">www.tax.ny.gov</a> or <a href="www.tax.ny.gov/missing">www.dcjs.ny.gov/missing</a> for more information.

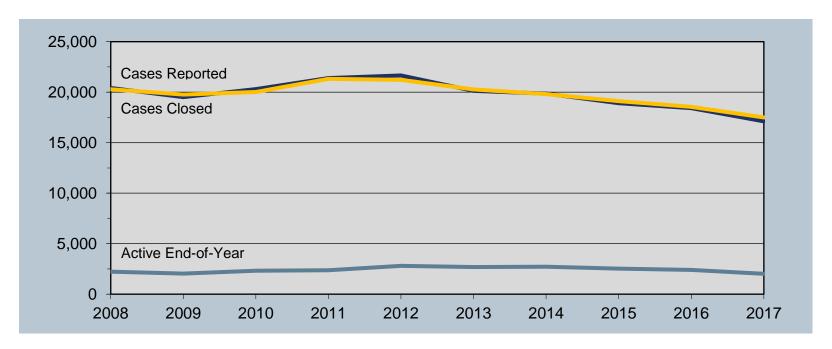
**2017 Missing Person Clearinghouse Activity and Data** 

	2016	2017
Cases Referred to the Clearinghouse	1,631	1,582
Cases Publicized	408	454
Cases Closed	1,446	1,540
Cases Removed from Publication	793	403
Hotline Calls Received After Hours	683	617
Birth/School Records Flagged	3,631	3,139
Birth School Records Flag Removed	3,462	3,454

		Ale	ert Reque	sts and	Activatio	ns		
	AMBER	R Alert	Missinç Ale			College nt Alert	Miss Vulner Adult	able
Year	Activatio n	Reques t	Activatio n	Request	Activation	Request	Activation	Request
2003	3	-	0	-	0	-	-	-
2004	6	-	6	-	0	-	-	-
2005	5	-	3	-	1	-	-	-
2006	3	-	5	-	0	-	-	-
2007	2	-	7	-	0	-	-	-
2008	4	-	5	-	0 -		-	-
2009	3	-	5	-	0	-	-	-
2010	2	-	1	-	0	-	-	-
2011	7	-	3	-	0	-	4	-
2012	7	34	5	12	0	0	24	44
2013	4	18	7	8	0	0	36	58
2014	10	52	5	9	0	0	75	117
2015	11	35	10	23	2 2		101	131
2016	5	56	20	27	0 0		101	126
2017	7	38	10	20	1	2	116	148
TOTAL	63	142	92	99	4	4	457	624

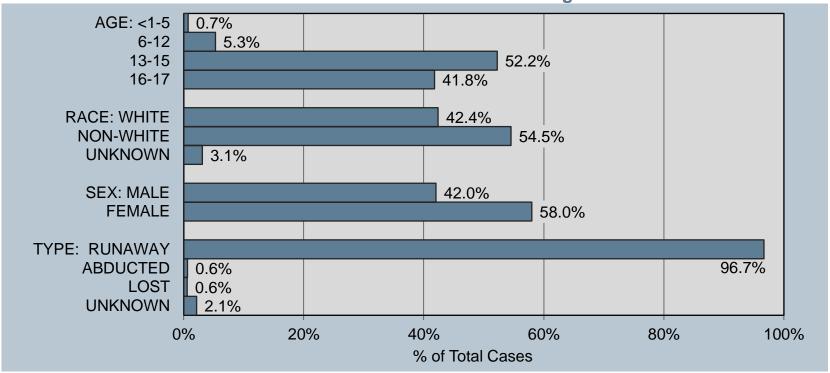
**Note:** The Missing Vulnerable Adult Alert Program began on 10/23/2011. The tracking of alerts requested was initiated in 2012.

## **Annual Reporting Volume for Missing Children: 2008-2017**



	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
NEW YORK STATE										
Cases Reported	20,414	19,512	20,309	21,390	21,656	20,124	19,860	18,916	18,417	17,114
Cases Closed	20,283	19,763	20,017	21,319	21,215	20,278	19,816	19,119	18,539	17,500
Active End-of-Year	2,234	2,034	2,322	2,366	2,804	2,680	2,724	2,521	2,401	2,017
NEW YORK CITY										
Cases Reported	5,800	5,721	6,544	7,545	8,101	8,003	7,975	7,022	6,551	5,870
Cases Closed	5,790	5,730	6,320	7,576	7,785	8,012	7,955	7,167	6,559	6,150
Active End-of-Year	660	678	897	866	1,174	1,175	1,195	1,050	1,043	763
NON-NEW YORK CITY										
Cases Reported	14,614	13,791	13,765	13,845	13,555	12,121	11,885	11,894	11,866	11,244
Cases Closed	14,493	14,033	13,697	13,743	13,430	12,266	11,861	11,952	11,980	11,350
Active End-of-Year	1,574	1,356	1,425	1,500	1,630	1,505	1,529	1,471	1,358	1,254

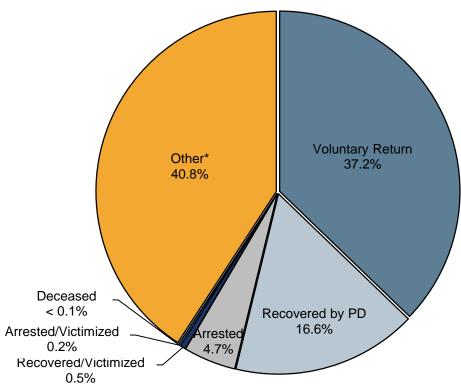
## **Characteristics of Cases Entered for Missing Children**



		AGE W	HEN RE	PORTED N	MISSING	GEN	DER		F	RACE		
	TOTAL	< 1 - 5	6 - 12	13 - 15	16 - 17	Male	Female	White	Black	Asian	Indian	Unk.
Runaway	16,547	6	818	8,738	6,985	6,917	9,630	6,978	8,715	272	78	504
Familial Abduction	77	53	21	2	1	34	43	30	33	8	0	6
Abducted by Non-Cust. Parent	28	11	16	1	0	11	17	16	8	1	0	3
Acquaintance Abduction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stranger Abduction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lost	96	3	13	41	39	51	45	48	36	4	0	8
Unknown	366	51	35	155	125	178	188	180	168	7	2	9
TOTAL	17,114	124	903	8,937	7,150	7,191	9,923	7,252	8,960	292	80	530

Note: Abducted by Non-Custodial Parent is a new category that was instituted in June 2014. Previously, the missing child circumstance was entered under the Familial Abduction category.

## **Characteristics of Cases Closed for Missing Children**



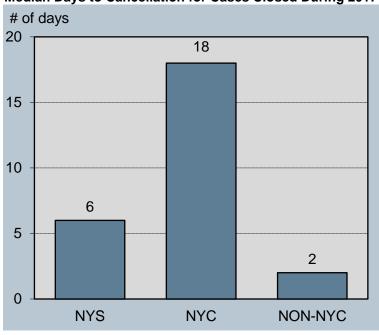
			AGE	WHEN FO	UND		GEN	NDER		Ī	RACE		
Circumstances of Recovery	TOTAL	< 1 - 5	6 - 12	13 - 15	16 - 17	18+	Male	Female	White	Black	Asian	Indian	Unk.
Voluntary Return	6,509	19	299	3,316	2,799	76	3,040	3,469	3,084	3,062	76	35	252
Recovered by Law Enforcement	2,898	41	187	1,571	1,069	30	1,279	1,619	1,543	1,218	38	12	87
Arrested	817	0	19	346	430	22	447	370	368	404	7	4	34
Recovered/Not Arrested/Victimized	92	5	6	40	40	1	41	51	52	36	1	1	2
Arrested/Victimized	28	0	3	12	13	0	15	13	14	14	0	0	0
Deceased	8	1	0	1	5	1	6	2	5	1	1	0	1
Other*	7,148	49	358	3,447	3,066	228	2,536	4,612	2,319	4,451	182	32	164
TOTAL	17,500	115	872	8,733	7,422	358	7,364	10,136	7,385	9,186	305	84	540

Note: \* "Other" is an authorized reporting category that can mean the reporting law enforcement agency either did not know the circumstances associated with the recovery of the child, or did not use one of the more specific categories for reasons that are not known.

<sup>&</sup>quot;\*\*\* Victim means victim of criminal activity or exploitation while missing

# **Length of Time on Register for Missing Children**





DAY		ENTRY AND CANCELL LOSED DURING 2017	ATION
No. of Days	No. of Cases Closed	Percent Closed	Cumulative Percent Closed
< 1	3,237	18.5%	18.5%
1	2,156	12.3%	30.8%
2	989	5.7%	36.5%
3	745	4.3%	40.7%
4	617	3.5%	44.3%
5	518	3.0%	47.2%
6	505	2.9%	50.1%
7	487	2.8%	52.9%
8	467	2.7%	55.5%
9	373	2.1%	57.7%
10	320	1.8%	59.5%
11	300	1.7%	61.2%
12	249	1.4%	62.6%
13	264	1.5%	64.2%
14	228	1.3%	65.5%
15	210	1.2%	66.7%
16 - 29	1,852	10.6%	77.2%
30 - 60	1,671	9.5%	86.8%
61 - 90	813	4.6%	91.4%
91 - 120	531	3.0%	94.5%
121 or more	968	5.5%	100.0%
TOTAL	17,500	100.0%	100.0%

# **Reporting Volume by County for Missing Children**

				CA	SES REPOR	TED						CAS	ES CLOSEI	)			CASES ACTIVE
	Total	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Runaway	Familial	Abdu Non-Cust.	action Acquaint.	Stranger	Lost	Other	Total	Voluntary Return	Returned by P.D.	Arrested	Victimized	Deceased	Other	End-of- Year Active
				ганны	Parent	Acquaint.	Stranger				Rotain	27.12.					Cases
Albany	852		823	4	1	0	C	4	20	836	246	52	31	3	0	504	55
Allegany	2	0.2	2	0	0	0	C	0	0	2	0	2	0	C	0	0	2
Broome	380	9.9	347	0	3	0	C	2	28	369	195	146	16	3	0	9	41
Cattaraugus	63	3.6	57	3	2	0	C	0	1	68	30	21	12	C	0	5	0
Cayuga	117	7.4	110	0	0	0	C	1	6	118	61	50	4	C	1	2	1
Chautauqua	117	4.4	114	0	0	0	C	0	3	127	56	56	10	1	0	4	6
Chemung	355	19.0	349	2	1	0	C	0	3	355	284	45	22	C	1	3	10
Chenango	15	1.5	9	5	0	0	C	0	1	16	5	5	1	5	0	0	0
Clinton	79	5.4	75	0	0	0	C	3	1	79	48	22	5	1	0	3	0
Columbia	49	4.5	45	1	0	0	C	1	2	50	13	21	14	C	0	2	1
Cortland	30	3.2	29	1	0	0	C	0	0	30	15	11	2	C	0	2	0
Delaware	8	1.0	8	0	0	0	C	0	0	8	4	3	1	C	0	0	2
Dutchess	211	3.7	208	0	0	0	C	1	2	217	113	60	24	2	0	18	11
Erie	749	4.0	696	5	3	0	C	8	37	756	248	197	125	9	0	177	406
Essex	5		3	0	0	0	C	2	0	5	2	2	0	C	0	1	0
Franklin	17	1.7	16	0	0	0	C	0	1	17	6	10	1	C	0	0	0
Fulton	58	5.3	55	0	0	0	C	0	3	55	34	16	3	1	0	1	4
Genesee	23	1.9	22	0	0	0	C	0	1	24	11	13	0	C	0	0	0
Greene	9	1.1	9	0	0	0	C	0	0	9	4	4	1	C	0	0	0
Hamilton	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	C	0	0	0
Herkimer	10		9	0	0	0	C	0	1	10	8	2	0	C	0	0	1
Jefferson	41	1.5	41	0	0	0	C	0	0	42	18	15	6	1	0	2	3
Lewis	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	C	0	0	0
Livingston	8	0.7	7	0	0	0		1	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Madison	13		13	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	9	3	1	0	0	0	0
Monroe	1,717	10.9	1,678	7	2	0	0	2	28	1,702	791	591	134	8	0	178	85
Montgomery	30	2.7	29	0	0	0			1	32	16	11	.3	0	n	2	2
Nassau	674	2.3	592	2	3	0		Ĭ	51	695	373	233	42	12	1	34	68
New York City <sup>2</sup>	5,870		5,820	31	4	0		1	10	6,150	874	45			· ·	5,214	
Niagara	287	6.7	265	31	0	0			18	287	135	105	24		0	17	
Oneida	345		328		3	0		2	10	343	225	73			0	10	

# **Reporting Volume by County for Missing Children**

				CA	SES REPOR	TED						CAS	ES CLOSEI	D			CASES ACTIVE
					Abdı	uction											End-of-
	Total	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Runaway	Familial	Non-Cust. Parent	Acquaint.	Stranger	Lost	Other	Total	Voluntary Return	Returned by P.D.	Arrested	Victimized	Deceased	Other	Year Active Cases
Onondaga	443	4.4	426	3	0	0	(	) 1	13	439	190	215	23	3	1	7	19
Ontario	20	0.9	19	0	0	0	(	) 1	0	20	9	9	1	0	0	1	2
Orange	379	3.9	365	2	1	0	(	) 4	7	380	203	120	33	6	0	18	42
Orleans	27	3.3	23	0	0	0	(	0	4	31	11	15	2	0	0	3	1
Oswego	62	2.4	60	0	0	0	(	0	2	61	33	28	0	0	0	0	1
Otsego	17	1.7	13	0	0	0	(	0	4	. 17	8	6	3	0	0	0	1
Putnam	11	0.5	10	0	0	0	(	1	0	10	5	3	1	1	0	0	2
Rensselaer	129	4.0	110	3	0	0	(	00	16	135	66	32	7	1	0	29	9
Rockland	123	1.4	101	0	1	0	(	6	15	124	80	32	5	0	0	7	33
Saint Lawrence	37	1.7	36	0	0	0	(	0	1	36	11	7	16	0	0	2	1
Saratoga	102	2.2	100	1	0	0	(	) 1	0	100	37	52	8	1	0	2	3
Schenectady	801	23.8	788	1	1	0	(	3	8	805	446	146	76	3	0	134	17
Schoharie	2	0.3	2	0	0	0	(	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Schuyler	4	1.2	3	0	0	0	(	0	1	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seneca	7	1.0	7	0	0	0	(	0	0	7	3	3	0	0	0	1	0
Steuben	42	2.0	37	0	0	0	(	) 1	4	43	25	16	2	0	0	0	2
Suffolk	912	2.8	900	0	0	0	(	0	12	911	786	93	25	2	3	2	71
Sullivan	36	2.3	33	0	0	0	(	0	3	36	12	21	1	0	0	2	5
Tioga	26	2.5	26	0	0	0	(	0	0	27	13	7	4	0	0	3	0
Tompkins	62		61	0	0	0	(	) 1	0	64	23	20	12	0	0	9	0
Ulster	143		134	0	0	0	(	) 1	8	142	51	65		3	0	6	10
Warren	32		30	0	0	0	(	0	2	32	13	16		0	0	1	1
Washington	29		24	0	0	0	(	0	5	29	10	12		0	0	2	1
Wayne	21		21	0	0	0	(	0	0	21	9	7	4	1	0	0	0
Westchester	1,493	6.8	1,440	2	3	0	(	16	32	1,573	630	139	69	13	1	721	275
Wyoming	1	0.1	1	0	0	0	(	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Yates	12		12	0	0	0	(	0	0	12	5	6	1	0	0	0	0
Out of State	3		2	0	0	0	(	) 0	1	11		2	0	0	0	9	4
New York State	17,110	4.1	16,543	77	28	0	(	96	366			2,896	845	92	8	7,147	2,016
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 children.
<sup>2</sup> Includes the counties of Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens and Richmond.

# **Reporting Volume by County for Missing Vulnerable Adults**

	CASES REPORTED																	
					A	3E					GE	NDER		RA	CE		CASES	END-OF- YEAR
	Total	18-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Unk.	CLOSED	ACTIVE CASES
Albany	37	5	5	5	9	6	3	3	1	0	24	13	29	5	1	2	26	15
Allegany	5	0	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	4	1	5	0	0	0	5	0
Broome	24	1	3	4	1	3	5	4	3	0	18	6	19	3	2	0	25	6
Cattaraugus	5	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	4	1	0	0	6	1
Cayuga	6	0	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	6	0	4	2	0	0	6	0
Chautauqua	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	4	1
Chemung	4	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	4	0
Chenango	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	0
Clinton	7	0	2	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	3	4	6	1	0	0	7	0
Columbia	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	1	4	0	0	0	4	0
Cortland	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	4	0
Delaware	5	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	0
Dutchess	42	2	3	6	5	9	7	7	3	0	29	13	34	7	1	0	40	4
Erie	22	0	6	2	2	1	3	5	2	1	18	4	16	4	1	1	22	10
Essex	4	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	1	4	0	0	0	3	1
Franklin	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	1
Fulton	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	2	0
Genesee	6	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	3	3	6	0	0	0	6	0
Greene	7	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	6	1	5	2	0	0	7	0
Hamilton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Herkimer	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	2	0
Jefferson	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
Lewis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Livingston	7	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	5	6	0	1	0	7	0
Madison	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	0
Monroe	77	6	16	17	8	9	9	4	6	2	43	34	61	15	1	0	78	1
Montgomery	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	3	1
Nassau	184	9	27	34	17	26	20	26	22	3	108	76	108	62	12	2	177	15
New York <sup>1</sup>	615	19	109	82	79	65	82	123	51	5	416	199	226	323	58	8	594	61
Niagara	11	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	5	0	7	4	6	3	1	1	11	7
Oneida	32	3	6	6	2	5	6	4	0	0	17	15	22	9	1	0	31	5

# **Reporting Volume by County for Missing Vulnerable Adults**

	CASES REPORTED																	
					AC	GE.					GEI	NDER		RAC	CE	CASES		END-OF- YEAR
	Total	18-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	Male	Female	White	Black	Other	Unk.	CLOSED	ACTIVE CASES
Onondaga	65	4	14	12	10	6	8	9	1	1	41	24	41	23	1	0	66	2
Ontario	10	1	5	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	6	4	9	1	0	0	11	0
Orange	41	3	7	5	5	5	5	8	2	1	23	18	34	6	1	0	42	2
Orleans	5	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	1	3	1	1	0	5	0
Oswego	7	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	5	2	7	0	0	0	7	1
Otsego	4	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	3	1	0	0	4	0
Putnam	8	0	1	2	1	3	1	0	0	0	4	4	7	0	0	1	9	0
Rensselaer	17	0	5	0	3	2	3	3	1	0	12	5	15	2	0	0	20	1
Rockland	29	0	4	3	4	1	8	2	5	2	22	7	21	7	1	0	30	9
Saint Lawrence	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	4	1	5	0	0	0	5	0
Saratoga	20	1	5	3	2	3	3	2	1	0	12	8	16	3	0	1	20	0
Schenectady	23	5	6	0	1	2	5	1	2	1	13	10	16	7	0	0	21	2
Schoharie	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Schuyler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Seneca	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	3	0
Steuben	5	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	3	5	0	0	0	5	0
Suffolk	40	1	7	1	5	7	5	6	6	2	26	14	34	4	0	2	39	8
Sullivan	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	4	1
Tioga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tompkins	4	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	3	1	0	0	4	0
Ulster	13	0	3	1	2	2	1	2	2	0	11	2	12	1	0	0	13	1
Warren	11	2	4	1	0	1	2	0	1	0	9	2	11	0	0	0	11	0
Washington	21	0	3	9	2	4	0	2	1	0	15	6	21	0	0	0	21	0
Wayne	6	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	3	4	1	0	1	6	0
Westchester	136	32	26	13	12	21	9	14	8	1	88	48	62	62	4	8	127	27
Wyoming	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	2	6	0	0	0	6	0
Yates	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Out Of State	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	5	1
New York State	1,612	100	295	234	183	195	200	245	137	23	1,056	557	940	559	87	27	1,574	187

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes the counties of Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens and Richmond.

# **Days between Entry and Cancellation for Missing Vulnerable Adult Cases**

DAYS BETWEEN CASE ENTRY AND CANCELLATION FOR CASES CLOSED DURING 2017						
	No. of Cases					
No. of Days	Closed	Percent Closed	Cumulative Percent Closed			
< 1	414	26.3%	26.3%			
1	263	16.7%	43.0%			
2	103	6.5%	49.6%			
3	58	3.7%	53.2%			
4	49	3.1%	56.4%			
5	49	3.1%	59.5%			
6	36	2.3%	61.8%			
7	37	2.4%	64.1%			
8	39	2.5%	66.6%			
9	21	1.3%	67.9%			
10	24	1.5%	69.4%			
11	13	0.8%	70.3%			
12	20	1.3%	71.5%			
13	19	1.2%	72.7%			
14	23	1.5%	74.2%			
15	21	1.3%	75.5%			
16 - 29	129	8.2%	83.7%			
30 - 60	89	5.7%	89.4%			
61 - 90	75	4.8%	94.2%			
91 - 120	38	2.4%	96.6%			
121 or more	54	3.4%	100.0%			
TOTAL	1,574	100.0%	100.0%			

# **2017 Missing Child Alert Activation Details**

Circumstances	
Endangered Due to Young Age	2
Autism	2
Non-Custodial Abduction	1
Suicidal	5
Total	10

In a Vehicle	3
On Foot	7
Total*	10

Alert Responsible for Locating	
Yes	2
No	6
Unknown	2
Total	10

Circumstances of Location	
Alive	10
Deceased	0
Unresolved	0
Total*	10

# **2017 Missing College Student Alert Activation Details**

Circumstances					
Suicidal	1				
Total	1				

In a Vehicle	0
On Foot	1
Total*	1

Alert Responsible for Locating	
Yes	0
No	1
Unknown	0
Total	1

Circumstances of Location				
Alive	1			
Deceased	0			
Unresolved	0			
Total*	1			

# **2017 Missing Vulnerable Adult Alert Activation Details**

Circumstances	
Autism	7
Traumatic Brain Injury	2
Dementia	90
Developmentally Disabled	4
Disorientated/Confused	6
Traumatic Brain Injury	1
Schizophrenia or Mental Illness	5
Short-term Memory Loss	1
Total	116

In a Vehicle	55
On Foot	61
Total*	116
*Alerts activated for individuals missing in a vehicle from other states (Pa)	2

Alert Responsible for Locating	
Yes	21
No	64
Unknown	30
Unresolved	1
Total	115

Circumstances of Location	
Located Alive	114
Located Deceased	1
Unresolved	1
Total*	116
* Located alive out of state (1 Ct, 1 MD, 3 NJ, 2 Pa, 1 Vt.)	11